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RE: PM 1326 China, Norway, Finland and New Zealand  
Reddie & Grose: 30775

Dear Marta and Denise:

With regard to John Bass' letter of August 15th on examination in China, I do not find that anything has occurred in the corresponding foreign prosecution to change the approach you recommended, i.e., that we should proceed with examination of the original claims as filed. Thus, I am confirming that instruction to Reddie & Grose. Jim Schardt had interceded earlier and decided to wait and re-evaluate after seeing how the corresponding applications had fared; however, there appears to have been no substantive change upon which to base voluntary amendment other than Taiwan, and our earlier decision had already taken Taiwan into consideration.

John has raised the issue of facing objections similar to those encountered in Australia and New Zealand, also of a potential problem with the wording of claim 4. Please review in light of his comments and let me know right away if we should not proceed as decided earlier.

I noticed during the review of corresponding cases that we have responses due in Norway (27 October); Finland (24 October); and New Zealand (17 October).

Sincerely,

Beverly A. Monroe

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cc: John Bass

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